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## Special Strawberry Week!

Next week, commencing Tuesday, we shall receive large shipments of B.C. Strawberries which will be offered at specially low prices.

These are absolutely the finest berries for preserving and we would advise you to place your order early to ensure receiving your share.

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### Mr. FARMER!

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### "We Need Men Badly"

Letter From George Hill Tells of Conditions in England

We have been handed a letter received by E. G. Paddon just recently from Private George Hill, who many of our townspeople will remember, and we take the liberty of printing a few extracts from it for the interest of his many friends in Bassano.

After a few remarks upon the proposed Conscriptio n measure Private Hill says:—"We need men and need them badly. The Batt. to which I am attached reinforces the 50th and 51st Batt. and we have not enough men to bring them up to strength. . . . I am standing the training well, though if they fed us a little better we would be more satisfied. It doesn't seem reasonable that we should be put on short rations when we can buy all we want to eat at the canteens. If we haven't got the price (which is usually the case a few days after pay day) we pass the canteen with a longing look. . . . One thing strikes me very forcibly and that is the wonderful way the British women have taken up men's work. They are filling every conceivable occupation which does not require the hardest manual labor, while thousands give their services to the Y. M. C. A. and hospitals. Believe me the Y. M. C. A. are doing wonderful work for the boys here and anyone who contributes to that Association may be assured that they are helping a good cause. . . . The German have been very active in air-raid lately, and the possibility of such methods strikes me much more forcibly near at hand than it does in Canada, and acts as an incentive to the boys to get over and clean up on them. . . . Remember me to everyone who would care to be remembered."

GEORGE F. HILL.

### Council Strike Rate At 29 Mills

Eighteen Appeals to Court of Revision—All Thrown Out

At the Court of Revision held in the Town Hall on Friday last eighteen appeals against the assessment were considered. Only one appeal was made in person, and that shared the same fate as the other seventeen which were dismissed.

The special meeting of the Council was held immediately after the court of revisions proceedings ended the chief business of which was striking the rate for 1917.

The usual routine work over Ald. Connelly was appointed Deputy Mayor for the ensuing three months. Considerable discussion then ensued re the widening of the road to the C.P.R. dam. This road was promised by the Provincial Government last year, but up to the present time nothing has been done. It was decided to take up the matter again and endeavor to bring the Government to time.

The Barber's bylaw, which empowers the Town to collect a ten-cent from each of the stable chaises, was given its third reading and passed with one dissentient, Ald. Skerrett. Coun. Golden did not seem to care whether the by-law raised the cost of hair-cutting or not but Ald. Skerrett was of the opinion that the by-law was not necessary.

The rate for municipal purposes was fixed at 25-1-2 mills, which is a decrease of half a mill from last year, and the rate for school purposes was fixed at 8-1-2 mills, an increase of 2-1-2 mills over last year.

The increase in the school rate does not signify that the kiddies are going to receive better education during 1917, than they had forced upon them in 1916, but is the result of property which in 1916 was sub-division property and as such penalised by having to pay town taxes, relapsing back to common farm property liable only to municipal taxes.

There is a difference this year in the discount paid to those wealthy citizens who are able to come through with the apons. before January 1st. A discount of 5 per cent only will be paid on all current taxes paid before September 30th and not to the end of the year as has been the custom previously.

### CYCLONE WRECKS BUILDINGS AT BROOKS

A cyclone hit Brooks last evening and did considerable property damage. Several large buildings were blown down and the roofs taken off others. The lumber was stripped clean off the Crown Lumber company building. The storm came from the southwest and was extremely violent for about fifteen minutes.

We are glad to learn that the Bulletin office was passed up by the storm as it would have been tough luck on Bro. Wright to have been prevented from utilising the first piece of real news which has happened his way for some time.

Cheer up Brooks you still have the Chautauque to come.

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## GEM THEATRE!

Fri. & Sat. - Madame "X" - 25c. Admission

"Pearl of the Army" on Monday only.

Tuesday and Wednesday--

Theda Bara in "The Jewels of the Madonna"

A Fox Feature--25c.

Next Fri. & Sat.--MARGUERITE CLARK.

## When in Bassano You will Notice!

A New Solid Brick Building under construction on Main St.

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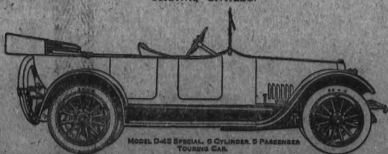
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## GERMAN METHODS CREATE REAL RE HORRORS OF THE GERMAN U

### A Frightful Account Is Given of the So-called Judicial Methods Of the Germans in Dealing With the Persecuted Inhabitants Of Stricken Belgium

An interview was had by a representative of Reuter's Agency in London with a Belgian gentleman of high social position, who succeeded in escaping from Belgium, knowing that he was about to fall into the hands of the German secret police. He gives a terrible account of the Germans' so-called judicial methods, which have produced a veritable reign of terror, in many respects resembling the procedure of the inquisi-

Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta of recent years. The acreage under wheat in these provinces in 1906 was 5,620,473, and in 10 years this increased to 13,799,897. During the same period the area under oats was

## Commission to Handle 1917 Crop

Pending the formation of a United States board, the Canadian board will endeavor to hold prices on a par with those across the border.

## Reduced German Rations

Bread Allowance Cut One-Third and  
There are Now Two Meat-

ines not only show a regular decline, but are becoming more and more vague in character, being simultaneously put back in less conspicuous places in the German newspapers, the front pages being taken up by highly laudatory reports of

## Another German Peace Drive Soon

The True Issues of the War and  
What the Allies Must  
Insist On

quires no argument to demonstrate that she is merely attempting to exploit a world-weariness of war and a universal longing for peace to pretend that she may preserve some portion of her booty.—New York Tribune.

**Natural Gas**  
Inexhaustible Supply in Alberta  
Available for Manufacture

One of the old ranches in the Medicine Hat district recently changed hands for the sum of \$120,000. The land included, which is mostly in the hands of the Government, is under lease, consists of more than 70,000 acres. The new owners propose to cut 500 tons of hay on the ranch.

## Tunnelling the English Channel

What the Value Would be Is Brought Home During War Times

War, that for long years has alien-

The tunnel would have a dip in the level of the rails forming a water-tight lock by which the tunnel could, in case of emergency, be filled with water from floor to roof for the length of a mile. This would be under control of Dover Castle, and the entrance and exit of both tunnels would be under the gun-fire of the Dover forts.

Trains would be run direct from London to Paris in less than an hour, and passengers would be able to get from London to Constantinople, Petrograd, and by the Siberian express to the Far East without a change of carriage.

## Liquid Fire

How This Terrible Weapon of Destruction Is Projected

gathering together some rods or tubes which had lain a long time in the laboratory, noticed that while most of them were badly rusted or stained, a few were as bright as when originally made. This led to the present discovery and manufacture.

# CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES UNITE IN FEEDING THE ALLIES

The Results of the British War Mission to the United States Will  
Have a Far-Reaching Effect, Making It Possible for the U. S.  
To Co-Operate More Fully With the Allies

## A Serious War

Lest the U. S. Alone Should Have  
to Settle With Germany

"My husband is always in the clouds."

The British war mission left American soil after six weeks' of conferences which have reached into every phase of American life and are expected vitally to affect the future of the U. S. if not of the world.

the killing of some dogs. If the law makers could see what the dogs have done in the war they would change their attitude."

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Many a man's failure is due to his













